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2010 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Mar 6 Train Washing-Cleaning @ TCRM 9 am to ???
Mar 11 TCRM Thursday Nite Meeting TCRM Nashville TN
Mar 15 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 7 pm - 10 pm
Mar 20 Spring 2010 Cumberland Div Meet-TCRM Open House
Mar 27 Easter Bunny Trip I to Watertown
Mar 27 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 9 am- 1 pm
Apr 3 Easter Bunny Trip II to Watertown
Apr 10-11 Great Train Expo Nashville TN Municipal Auditorium
Apr 12 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 7 pm - 10 pm
Apr 17 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown
Apr 24 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 9 am- 1 pm
May 1 TC Ry Spring Festival Trip to Cookeville
May 15 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown
May 21-23 SER-NMRA Annual Convention Birmingham AL
July 10 Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown Jazz Festival
July 11-18 NMRA National Convention 75th Anniversary
Milwaukee WI
July 24 Murder Mystery Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN

Program

Program for the March 11 Thursday Night Meeting will be a slide show by member **W.O. Greene**. He will show slides of the Nashville Chapter NRHS trip to Montgomery AL to ride the American Freedom Train in 1976, plus slides from various NRHS conventions in the 1970s. Contact **Terry Bebout** 615-479-5758 terry.bebout@earthlink.net or **Bob Hultman** 615-833-5158 hultman@bellsouth.net if you will present a program at our Thursday Night Meetings.

Host Committee

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*-Host Committee Chairman

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our first Murder Mystery trip to DelMonaco Winery near Baxter TN was a complete success..... So, we're doing it again on July 24, only this time it's a noon departure. Also, don't forget our train cleaning-washing session coming up on Saturday Mar 6.

Please hand out the ticket order forms for the March 27 & April 3 Easter Bunny trips coming up, TCRM needs more ticket sales for these 2 trips. If you want to work either or both of these trips, please sign up on the crew sign-up sheets at the March meeting.

Or, contact **Bob Hultman** at 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187

E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Thursday Night Meeting – TCRM Willow St Nashville TN 6:30 pm March 11, 2010

New Members

Gene Mims, Brentwood TN

Bill, David, Hilda Strunk & Jenni Charlton, Hermitage TN (Family)

Christy, Eric & Tucker Wingo Springfield TN (Family)

Please welcome our new members as they get to know us and take part in our activities.

Train Cleaning-Washing Saturday March 6

By **Terry Bebout**

Reminder about our Sat work session coming up this Sat. Looks like the weather might be decent so come and help wash our excursion train. We also need some help cleaning some interiors of the cars, including the 2 open-window cars. If anyone would volunteer we need to get some building cleaning done as well. Start time 9 am.

Hobby Shop News

By **Bob Hultman**

In stock now are a few of the ExactRail HO Signature Sou Ry Pullman-Standard waffle-side box cars. There are 7 different car numbers available as of 3 March. They're a bit pricy at \$34.95 retail, but they're highly detailed..... Stop in the shop & take a look at them.

Reminder- if you've been notified your special order items are available at the shop you need to come in & pick the items up.

Activity Fee for 2010 - Renewals

By **Bob Hultman**

Please mail your activity fee renewals (the fee remains \$30 individual, \$35 for family members of the same household) payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – Amy Hannah. If you prefer to renew via credit card, please call Amy at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to do so in person. Also, be sure to include any updated roster information (name, address, phone numbers and current E-mail addresses). Those members not renewing by the end of March will not be notified

Nashville Chapter NRHS News

By **Herb Roth**

All Aboard ??? Those members who have not purchased "tickets", please send in your Annual Dues to Ron Musick. His address is in your Dues packet along with a return card. Don't miss the "train"!

Fifty years ago, the year 1960 began with many steam locomotives still working on major railroads. Not all the majors, just the handful on which pockets of steam had survived the dieselization wave of the 1950's. By the time 1961 rolled in, the biggest of these holdouts had succumbed, bringing the steam era to an end after 130 years.

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Now the end of steam boundary was not always sharp. There were six Class 1 roads that dieselized before 1958, but still kept an engine or two. The Rio Grande's narrow gauge lines remained steam powered, for regular business, well past 1960. A few roads retained engines for excursion duty (from Classic Trains - Spring 2010 issue).

Sick Call – Nicho Young

By Nicho Young

Dear Team Nicho,

What goes around comes around, or so they say. A couple of years ago, while checking me for kidney stones, the doctors discovered a small mass on my right kidney. They have "kept an eye on it" for the last two years with CT scans and ultrasonic imaging on six-month intervals. It has been diagnosed as a growing tumor which has now reached the point where they are recommending its removal. Though there was no rush, I actively pursued the scheduling of robot-assisted arthroscopic surgery. The surgery has been scheduled for March 12th, at Centennial Hospital here in Nashville, which seemed like a long ways off two weeks ago. There is a 70% to 95% likelihood that it is malignant but it is located in a "good" place for easy removal and is small enough yet to likely NOT have metastasized. I am both optimistic and nervous. My primary care physician, whom I have known for the last 30 years, highly recommends my Urologist and says, "Get it out". Last week I had a biannual dentist's appointment for a teeth cleaning. The dentist found a split and dead wisdom tooth (which I had been nursing along without much pain - I am, after all, very attached to my wisdom teeth that I have been trying to keep for the last forty-some years). He said get the tooth (actually he said "teeth") out before the kidney surgery because an abscessed tooth could lead to fatal complications. He got my attention and last Friday I had the two wisdom teeth on the right removed. I am healing well and don't expect the recovery from the oral surgery to impact the surgery on the 12th (Bad pun intended). With the economy what it is, work is slow which, I guess, makes this an opportune time for a hospital stay and homebound recovery.

So, even though I am optimistic and attempting to remain upbeat, I covet your prayers on my behalf for a good procedure, a skilled surgery team, and for a speedy recovery. When I know more, I will post the updated information. As with the previous Barbaragrams, please feel free to forward these notes on to any interested parties. We can only hope that with a new computer, new service, and Barbara leading the way on these notices, that it will actually work when I press the send button. 'Till then I wish you Peace and Grace,

Nicho

If you want to send Nicho a card or note, his home address is-
1702 Green Hills Dr Nashville TN 37215-3510

Upcoming Conventions- Websites

SER 2010 Annual Convention-
<http://www.ser-nmra.org/convention.htm>

NMRA National Convention- <http://www.nmra75.org/>

TCRM Assists with Boy Scout Railroading Merit Badge

By Don Gage

Bill Miller and I worked with two Boy Scout Troops Saturday February 27 towards their Railroading Merit Badge. I suggested that they attend the March 20th Cumberland Division Meert-TCRM Open House to accomplish additional requirements for the award.

Model Railroad Collection For Sale

By Keith Ericson

Railroaders, I got a call from a friend who has seen a collection in Auburn, AL - owned by a woman whose husband has died. She wants to make the collection available - for sale - to folks who may be interested. James McDonough, who contacted me, said she has about 80 engines and a whole lot of rolling stock. Her address is:
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Auburn, AL 36830
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